for allocation of Rs. 800 crores for the State in Rail Budget 2006-07 and also for introduction of new trains in the State;

(b) whether in view of rapid industrialization of the State, there is an urgent need to complete all the ongoing projects to meet needs of both freight and passenger traffic; and

(c) if so, the time-frame within the above proposals are agreed to and the State administration is apprised of the position?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Some of the projects are considered necessary to meet the growing demand of traffic in view of industrial activity in the State. An outlay of over Rs. 650 crore has been proposed during 2006-07 for various ongoing projects falling fully/partly in the State. The State Government is advised of the position from time to time during interaction with the Railways.

Resources for Railways

2083. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the need of resources for Railways and availability of resources;

(b) what is the strategy available for Railways to generate internal resources and the innovative areas for raising additional revenue; and

(c) what are the special efforts undertaken to meet passenger amenities despite lake of funds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) The need of resources for renewal of assets, modernisation and development of the Railways is worked out in the form of Annual Plans and Five Years Plans. The resources are generated through internal generation, budgetary support and market borrowings.

(b) In order to generate additional revenue through internal generation, thrust is being given to optimum utilization of existing capacity and also for creation of additional capacity. The main innovative methods

include a dynamic pricing policy, rationalization of freight structure and goods tariff, review of passenger trains based on patronage, additional leasing of parcel space and extension of Passenger Reservation System (PRS)/Unreserved Ticketing System (UTS). Further, measures to control expenditure are also being adopted.

(c) There is no lack of funds for passenger amenity works and allocations for such works are being significantly enhanced every year.

Introduction of superfast and new trains

2084. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of superfast trains and new trains introduced during the period 1995—2005, year-wise;

(b) the number of staff as on 1st January, 1995 and 31st December, 2005, category-wise; and

(c) the number of locomotives as on 1st January, 1995 and 31st December, 2005?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) The number of superfast trains and new trains viz. mail/express & passenger introduced during the period 1995-96 to 2004-05 is as under:—

(trains in single)

Year	Superfast	Mail/express and passenger
1995-96	14	161
1996-97	10	82
1997-98	10	156
1998-99	14	135
1999-2000	10	62
2000-01	12	87
2001-02	24	120
2002-03	44	144
2003-04	22	140
2004-05	32	72